

## CATEGORIES

as of 2/14/21 (Subject to Change)

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### AIRCRAFT

- 1/100 and smaller, all (other than airliners)
- Biplanes & Rigged A/C (splits)
- Single engine prop, 1/72 (splits)
- Single engine prop, 1/48 (splits)
- Multi-engine prop, 1/72
- Multi-engine prop, 1/48
- Jet Aircraft, 1/72, all (splits)
- Jet Aircraft, 1/48, all (splits)
- Aircraft, 1/32 and larger, all (splits)
- Rotary winged aircraft, all
- Civil, Sport, Racing, Airliners all
- Conversions, Vacuforms, & Scratchbuilts
- Out of Box, 1/72 & smaller
- Out of Box, 1/48 & larger (splits)

### MILITARY VEHICLES

- All AFV's, 1/72 and smaller (splits)
- All AFV's, 1/48
- AFV's, fully tracked, closed top, 1/35, 1945 & earlier (splits)
- AFV's, fully tracked, open top, 1/35, 1945 & earlier (splits)
- AFV's, fully tracked, 1/35, 1946 & later, all
- Soft skin Vehicles, all (splits)
- Armored Cars/Half-tracks, all (splits)
- Ordinance, includes towed weapons and missiles, all
- Conversions & Scratchbuilts, all
- Out of the Box, all

### AUTOMOTIVE

- Replica Stock, all (Aftermarket allowed)
- Pro-street/Street Machines, all (Street legal)
- Street Rods, all
- Customs, all, including pick-ups
- Curbside & Slammers, all
- Pick-ups & Light Trucks, 18K GVW or less, all
- Commercial, Police, Fire, & Rescue, all
- Competition drag/straight line and Open Wheel, all
- Competition closed wheel, all
- Motorcycles, all
- Out of Box, all

### FIGURES

- Historical, foot or mounted, 89mm & smaller
- Historical, foot or mounted, 90mm & larger
- Fantasy (Sci-Fi, Horror, Fiction, Anime) 199mm & smaller
- Fantasy (Sci-Fi, Horror, Fiction, Anime) 200mm & larger
- Busts, Historical, all sizes
- Busts, Fantasy (Sci-Fi, Horror, Fiction, Anime), all sizes
- Vignettes, Historical, all sizes
- Vignettes, Fantasy (Sci-Fi, Horror, Fiction, Anime), all sizes
- Dioramas, with figures, all sizes

### SHIPS

- Submarines, all (splits)
- Surface vessels, 1/401 & smaller (splits)
- Surface vessels, 1/400 & larger (splits)
- Sail and/or oar powered (splits)
- Out of Box

### SPACE-SCIENCE FICTION-FANTASY

- Real Rockets and Spacecraft, all
- Fictitious Rockets and Spacecraft, all (splits)
- Gundams, Robots, Mechas and Fighting suits, all
- Sci-Fi and fantasy, all other types including Creatures
- Out of the box, all

### JUNIORS/YOUTH

- Aircraft, all
- Military Vehicles, all
- Civilian Vehicles, all
- Ships, all
- Space/Sci-fi/Fantasy, all
- Other Subjects, all

### MISCELLANEOUS

- Animals, all
- Dioramas and vignettes, without figures, all
- Collections and Group Builds (5 or more related items)
- Paper and other materials, all (<50% plastic)
- Miscellaneous/All Other

## CONTEST RULES

We recommend the 2013 IPMS/USA Modelers Guide to IPMS Contests for a more in-depth look at IPMS rules and the judging process. It is available for download at the IPMS/USA website: [http://www.ipmsusa.org/national\\_contest\\_committee/competition\\_handbook.shtml](http://www.ipmsusa.org/national_contest_committee/competition_handbook.shtml)

- The contest is open to all modelers. Membership in IPMS/USA is not required for entry.
- The contest is open to all models except those placing 3rd or higher at an IPMS Region IV Convention or IPMS National Convention. National or Regional Premier or Out-of-Box winners are eligible. Previous award winners are eligible as part of collection, group, and parent/child entries. **Winners from IPMS/USA 2021 National Convention are eligible.**
- Entries may be made of any material, i.e. plastic, wood, metal, paper or any combination thereof. No entry shall contain any substance that poses a danger to persons or property.
- Pre-painted entries are allowed in Junior and Youth categories only, unless the visible areas of the model are re-painted.
- No Entries depicting nudity or other inappropriate topics for a "PG- rated" audience will be permitted. No exceptions. The Contest Chairman may decline to accept entry of a subject that may be considered offensive, lewd, or in poor taste. The decision of the Contest Chairman will be final.
- Absentee entries accepted if registered under builder's name. Registration fees apply.
- The Contestant will determine the category of each Entry. The Head Judge reserves the right to move Entries to another category if such move is clearly warranted. All such moves will be made following reasonable effort to notify the Contestant.
- If a model is qualified for more than one category, the Registrars shall assist in determining which category the model should be entered. In the event of questionable placement, the Chief Judge's decision will be final.
- Contest categories may be expanded or combined, at the discretion of the Chief Judge, based on the number of entries in a given category or categories.
- Judging shall be conducted using the guidelines set forth by IPMS/USA. Entries will be judged using the following criteria: Basic Construction, Overall Finish, Overall Accuracy, Additional Detailing, and Degree of Difficulty. Scratchbuilt detail will be favored over commercially available detail if quality is comparable. A great amount of added detail will not make up for poor basic construction. A copy of the *IPMS/USA Judges Handbook* will be available for review.
- Models will not be picked up during the judging process, unless deemed necessary by the Chief Judge to determine final category or special award ranking. Reasonable effort will be made to contact affected contestants prior to handling of their affected entries. Models may be gently repositioned to allow access to entry forms, visibility of other entries, or to facilitate category splits.
- NO SWEEPS ALLOWED. A modeler will be awarded the single highest award earned in a particular category, unless the modeler is the only entrant in the category.
- All judges' decisions are final. Any attempts to influence the outcome of the contest by communicating, in any manner, with any judge will result in immediate disqualification of all the contestant's entries.
- Reasonably sized bases are allowed in all categories, but are not judged except in the vignette/diorama or figure categories. Display bases must not exceed a 30in x 30in footprint as contest space is limited.
- All dust covers MUST be removed prior to judging. Models with dust covers on will not be considered during judging.
- Conversion** entries must contain significant structural changes to the basic kit involving extensive changes in contour or configuration, such work having been accomplished by the modeler. Entries using aftermarket parts as the majority of the conversion will be placed in the appropriate regular category. Entrants in this category should be prepared to provide a list of parts and materials used.
- Scratch-built Entries** must be more than 50% Contestant supplied parts. Scratch-built models may incorporate parts from other kits, but these should be generally unrelated to their original identity, except for minor parts such as wheels, guns, etc. 3D printed parts are not considered Scratch-Built.
- Out of Box** entries must be constructed solely from the contents of the kit, with the exception of finishes and decals. Weathering, filling seams and molding flaws, adding simple paper or tape seat beats, and antennae/rigging are allowed. Gun barrels, vents and door handles may be drilled out as well. No cutting/separating/opening of hatches, control surfaces, canopies, or doors is permitted. The use of aftermarket accessories (except decals) will be cause for disqualification from the Out-of-Box category. Instructions MUST accompany the model and entry form.
- Open/Closed Top Vehicles:** All entries: interiors subject to judging if hatches/doors/canopies are open. If a figure is in an open hatch/cockpit, the interior and figure are not judged, and the model will be considered as having a closed top.
- Dioramas & Vignettes:** Vignettes are defined as scenes containing 5 or fewer figures and no vehicle(s). Dioramas are defined as scenes containing 6 or more figures and/or vehicle(s). Vehicles include aircraft, tanks, ships, cars, and trucks.
- Definitions:** For purposes of categorization,
  - Figures**—shall include any human or humanoid (such as Frankenstein's monster, Klingons, etc), real or fictional.
  - Creatures**—shall only include fictional, non-humanoid beings such as dragons, Kaiju, or other large monsters.
  - Animals**—shall include any living subject that is or has been proven present on Earth.
- Other than on the model entry form placed next to each model, contestants shall not display anything that conveys the identity of the modeler.
- IPMS/WRIGHT FIELD SCALE MODELERS, to include its members, agents, or officers assume no liability or responsibility in case of accidents involving attendees, equipment, merchandise, models, or displays or for property lost, stolen, or damaged during the show.